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For: GUIDING DEVICE, SYSTEM THEREOF, METHOD THEREOF, PROGRAM THEREOF AND RECORDING MEDIUM STORING THE PROGRAM

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Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. One copy of each of these documents is attached.

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The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340 for any fee which is deemed by the Patent and Trademark Office to be required to effect consideration of this statement.

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